



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Greg Guernsey, Director
Planning and Development Review Department

DATE: December 13, 2012

SUBJECT: Restrictive Covenant Amendment Case C14-04-0181.SH(RCA)

The Applicant is requesting an indefinite postponement for the restrictive covenant amendment (C14-04-0181.SH(RCA)) located at 1910 ½ Wickshire Lane. The Planning Commission granted the Applicant's request for an indefinite postponement on November 13, 2012.

If you need additional information, please contact Wendy Rhoades at 974-7719.

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November 13, 2012

Planning Commission
City Council
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RE: *Edgewick Community Request to Close One Block Road – Carlson Drive*

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have requested an indefinite postponement in order to continue working with City staff on exploring options to install traffic calming measures and for City acceptance of the Carlson private right-of way as public. The proposed layout for Carlson is attached.

This proposal is being considered in lieu of the current residents' request to amend the restrictive covenant to allow for gates with limited hours of operation. We still contend that installing gates with limited hours of operation would better address the crime issues yet allow for the daily commute.

The road is a private street maintained by our community at our cost. We have expended approximately \$14,000+ on repairs caused by vandalism and reckless driving onto landscaped areas. Moreover, we will spend over \$16,000 in additional security measures and, ongoing, we anticipate we will be spending approximately \$8,000 each year to address this issue.

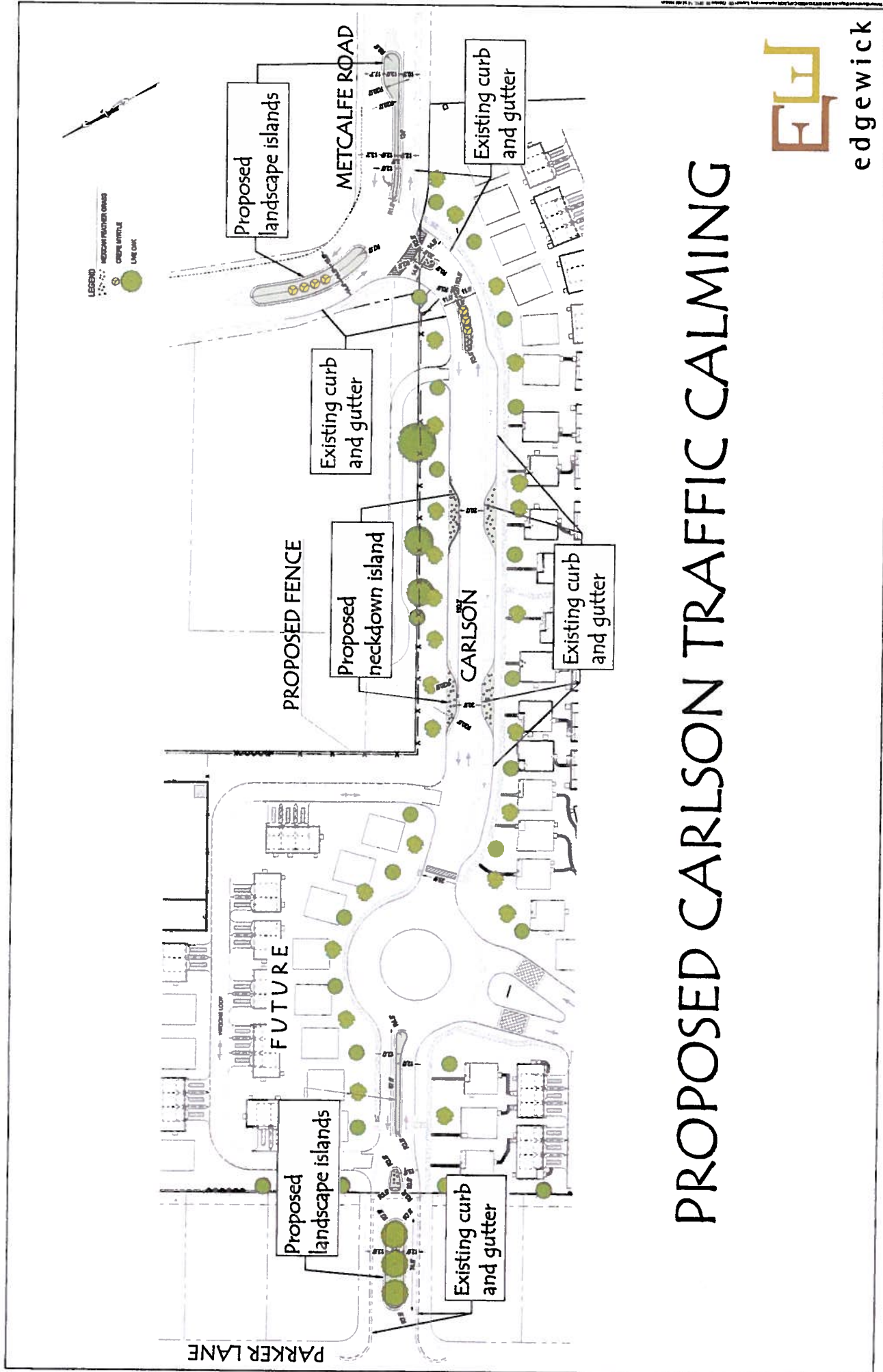
We understand the assertion that "connectivity" is needed within our City. We agree. We are not asking to close a long road that carries a lot of people. Our road is approximately one block long. There are additional roads to the north and south to reach Linder Elementary that have designated school zone crossings.

We want our community to continue to grow and provide a wonderful urban place for Austinites. For us to continue to grow and provide a sustainable place to live, we are asking that the City allow the community to gate this road with limited hours of operation or to be allowed to install traffic calming measure that will deter cut through traffic and for the City to assume maintenance of the street.

We ask for this postponement to continue to work with City staff to seek a unified request of the Commission.

Sincerely
Edgewick Home Owners Association

Myra J. Goepp



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